

Remarks/Arguments:

In the Restriction Requirement Under 35 U.S.C. § 121 mailed July 3, 2006 the Examiner asserted that the following inventions are independent and distinct within the presently pending application:

- I. Claims 1-4; and
- II. Claim 5.

The Examiner required election of a single invention.

With respect to the Examiner's election requirement, the Examiner is invited to consider the following remarks/arguments.

By this response, Applicant's Representative elects claims 1-4 (i.e., Invention I) and withdraws claim 5, without traverse.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application, as amended in response to the Restriction Requirement, is respectfully requested.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative to discuss prompt resolution of any remaining issues necessary to place this case in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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